- Belmont Recreation Commission Minutes of Meeting of March 2, 2010

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Attending:

- Stephanie King, Ann Bere, Dennis Rocha, Lee Slap, David Kane, John Owens, Laurie Carlson

- Absent:

- Andrew Levin, Betsy Lipson

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The meeting was called to order at 7 pm

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The Director reviewed the recently concluded Nashoba skiing and tubing programs. Four of the six weeks were problem free. There was a behavioral issue on the bus during one of the trips. The bus company also only sent too few buses one week and it was a challenge getting all of the participants to the mountain. We plan to draft a code of conduct agreement that all participants must sign at registration. We also plan to have a printed set of guidelines for chaperones outlining their responsibilities.

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- The Dolphins swim team finished their season with a 6 win 3 loss record. This program completed another successful season with over 130 children participating.

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- March Unplugged is continuing under the direction of the Recreation Department, a full month calendar with ideas and suggestions for family time and special events was available for residents.

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- The Youth Center schedule continued with a very popular karaoke night, which the kids all enjoyed and participated in enthusiastically.

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The rink closing weekend schedule of events was distributed. Events will be held in cooperation with Belmont Youth Hockey.

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- Swim lessons at the indoor pool are underway. The revised schedule seems to have improved attendance.

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Lifeguard training class is underway with 20 eager students attending.

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The Commission was updated on the planning of spring and summer programs including the relocation of the tee ball program to the Butler School and the KIDS summer program back to the Burbank School. These changes are occurring because of the unavailability of the Wellington School.

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- The Commission was informed of the School Department policies regarding use of fields in relation to in season sports as discussed with Belmont's Athletic Director Jim Davis.

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The Commission was informed of the progress on installing a new sound system at the rink. This system is the result of financial donations from the Belmont Youth Hockey Association and the Belmont Boosters. Contributions of labor and support were provided by the Belmont Light Department and the Department of Public Works.

- Financial:

- Fiscal Year 2010 revenue remains ahead of last year's pace through the month of February.
- The FY 11final request is less than last year due to a change in a staff person's health plan.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm

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